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Argumentative Paper

Single parent households have become more prominent over the past 50 years. A large number of those single parent households began as two parent homes in which the couple decided to separate. In most cases, where children are apart of the equation, there is a court order to provide regulation and order on whether or not the parents will have joint custody of the child or children or one parent will be granted full custody of the child or children and the non-custodial or non-residential parent will be ordered to provide the child with monetary child support. When there is a court order for a parent to supply the child money through the custodial or residential parent, there is often no mention of visitation, which is a very important factor in the child’s life. Even though many may argue there is no evidence proves having both monetary and emotional support from non-custodial or non-residential parents effect the well being of a child in a single parent household, but it is important for the child to be provided the support he/she would be allotted in a two parent household, because the child’s behavior will depend on emotional and monetary support of both parents, the non-custodial or non-residential parent will have more insight on what the child needs, and there will not be an opportunity for the custodial or residential parent to act as gate-keeper of the child based upon monetary contribution if the non-custodial or non-residential parent is equally active in both areas of the child’s life.

Background:

Argument: The well being of a child is directly dependent on both monetary and emotional support from both parents. A child should not be at a disadvantage in terms of support from parents simply because his/her parents decided to separated. The child is entitled to the rights of

Support:

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Counter:

Conclusion:

Thesis:

Claim: Children living in single parent homes where parents separated should not only be provided monetary child support from the non-custodial or non-residential parent but emotional child support as well to ensure the well being of the child.

3Because:

The child’s behavior will depend on emotional support of both parents

The non-custodial or non-residential parent will have more insight on what the child needs both monetarily and emotionally

The custodial parent cannot act as a gate keeper if the non-custodial parent is active in both monetary and emotional areas.

Counter Argument: No evidence proves that having both monetary and emotional support from non-custodial and non-residential parents effect the well being of a child in a single parent house hold.